

FISCAL NOTE

SB 1763 - HB 1210

February 17, 2005

SUMMARY OF BILL: Creates a Class C misdemeanor offense of domestic violence, which is defined as knowingly violating an order of protection issued to protect the victim of such offense.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase Local Govt. Expenditures – Exceeds \$100,000*

Assumptions:

- Penalty for a Class C misdemeanor is up to 30 days imprisonment and/or a fine not to exceed \$50.
- Currently a person violating an order of protection may be held in contempt of court punishable by a fine of \$50 and/or imprisonment not to exceed 10 days.
- Local governments will have an increase in expenditures for additional periods of incarceration for violations of orders of protection.

**Article II, Section 24 of the Tennessee Constitution provides that: no law of general application shall impose increased expenditure requirements on cities or counties unless the General Assembly shall provide that the state share in the cost.*

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James W. White, Executive Director